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Preventing and combating corrupt practices and illegal transfer of funds and repatriation of such funds

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 54/205 of 22 December 1999 on the prevention of corrupt practices and illegal transfer of funds and 55/188 of 20 December 2000 on preventing and combating corrupt practices and illegal transfer of funds and repatriation of such funds to the countries of origin,

Recognizing the need to create an enabling environment at the national and international levels for business in order to promote economic growth and sustainable development, taking into account the development priorities of Governments,

Mindful of the catalytic role of the United Nations system in facilitating the constructive participation and orderly interaction of the private sector in the development process,

Stressing the need to prevent and combat corrupt practices and the illegal transfer of funds and to repatriate such funds to enable countries to design and fund development projects in accordance with their national priorities,

Noting that such corrupt practices include State funds being illegally acquired, transferred and invested abroad,

Noting also that the problem of corrupt practices and illegally transferred funds and the need to prevent as well as repatriate such funds have social, economic and legal implications which require comprehensive, holistic examination at the national and international levels,

* On behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China.

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1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;[1]

2. *Reiterates* its condemnation of corruption, bribery, money-laundering and the illegal transfer of funds and stresses its belief that those practices need to be prevented and the funds illegally transferred abroad be repatriated, upon request and after due process;

3. *Calls* for increased international cooperation, inter alia, through the United Nations system, in support of efforts by Governments to devise ways and means of preventing and addressing illegal transfers of funds as well as repatriating those funds;

4. *Urges* the ad hoc committee, established pursuant to resolution 55/61, to include in its work the consideration of illegally transferred funds and the repatriation of such funds;

5. *Requests* the Secretary-General to submit to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session a report on the implementation of the present resolution, including recommendations on options for further consideration by the General Assembly of this item upon the completion of the work of the ad hoc committee referred to above;

6. *Decides* to keep the matter under review and to include in the agenda of its fifty-seventh session a sub-item entitled "Preventing and combating corrupt practices and illegal transfer of funds and repatriation of such funds" under the item "Sectoral policy questions".

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[1] A/56/403.